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SUBJECT: Port St. Lucie purse snatching has police looking for suspects.

On Saturday, January 23, 2016 at around 1:40 pm, Port St. Lucie Police went to the Walgreens located at 2901 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard for reports of a purse snatching. Responding officers located the 60 year old female victim at the intersection of SW Tulip Boulevard and SW College Park Road.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the victim had finished shopping and went to the rear of her car to put away her merchandise. While at her car, the victim was approached by two black males. One suspect stayed a few feet away as the other suspect approached the victim. The suspect who approached the victim grabbed her purse then fled east through the parking lot then east on SW Tulip Boulevard. The victim began yelling and waving her arms to attract attention as she chased the suspects. A witness who was in his car heard the screams of the victim and assisted by keeping visual of where the suspects ran.

Police K-9 track led officers to an area in the 700 block of SW Parker Avenue where police recovered the victim's purse. During the track police also recovered one of the suspect's shirt and pants in the 100 block of SW Tulip Boulevard.

Store surveillance video and victim statements describe the first suspect as a black male, medium length crew cut style hair, late teen to early 20's, 6'1" – 6'3" tall, thin build, weighing 160 – 180 pounds. The second suspect is a black male grown out crew cut style hair cut, late teen to early 20's, 5'10" – 6' tall, heavy set build.



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Police are asking if you recognize the suspects in the video or if you have any information on this case to call the Port St. Lucie Police Department at (772) 871-5001 or Treasure Coast Crime Stoppers at 1-800-273 TIPS.